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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, DR

SUBJECT: PRESIDENT BALAGUER AND INAUGURATION

REF: SD 2479

1. DURING CONVERSATION DESCRIBED REFTTEL, I ASKED THE PRESIDENT ABOUT PLANS FOR HIS AUGUST 16 INAUGURATION. HE REPLIED THAT HE PLANNED FOR OFFICIAL REPRESENTATION TO BE THROUGH RESIDENT AMBASSADORS AND THAT HE INTENDED TO INVITE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE TO ATTEND ON A PERSONAL BASIS AS WELL. WITH REGARD TO THE LATTER, HE SAID THAT HE WOULD WISH TO CONSULT ME FOR SUGGESTIONS OF AMERICANS WHOSE PRESENCE WE THOUGHT MIGHT BE BENEFICIAL TO THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.

2. COMMENT: DURING TODAY'S WEEKLY GOLF GAME WITH FOREIGN SECRETARY GOMEZ BERGES (THE REGULARITY OF WHICH HAS BEEN SOMEWHAT INTERRUPTED BY OUR RESPECTIVE TRAVELS), I ALSO INQUIRED ABOUT INAUGURATION PLANS. GOMEZ REPLIED THAT DURING THE ATLANTA OAS MEETING HE HAD INVITED SEVERAL FOREIGN MINISTERS TO ATTEND THE INAUGURATION AND THAT SOME HAD ACCEPTED. HE CONTINUED THAT HE INTENDED TO INVITE ALL FOREIGN MINISTERS IN THE HEMISPHERE. HE SAID THAT HE HAD INFORMED PRESIDENT BALAGUER OF WHAT HE HAD DONE AND THAT THE PRESIDENT WASN'T TOO HAPPY, BUT HE (GOMEZ) WAS GOING TO PURSUE HIS PLANS ANYWAY. THIS IS PAR FOR THE COURSE
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HERE AND WILL EVENTUALLY GET UNSCRAMBLED.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: WOULD WELCOME SUGGESTIONS FROM THE DEPT
REGARDING APPROPRIATE AMERICANS TO BE INVITED ON A PERSONAL BASIS
TO BALAGUER'S THIRD INAUGURATION.
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